IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

re the Application of

VINING et al.

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PETITION FOR THE ENTRY OF AN AMENDMENT FOR THE CORRECTION OF INVENTORSHIP PURSUANT TO RULE 1.48

It is respectfully requested that the above-identified application be amended pursuant to Rule 1.48 to add the names of Paul F. Hemler and Tiffany W. Salido as joint inventors with David J. Vining, Gordon W. Hunt, David K. Ahn, David R. Stelts and Yaorong Ge who were originally identified as joint inventors in the application so that the application may proceed in the names of David J. Vining, Gordon W. Hunt, David K. Ahn, David R. Stelts, Yaorong Ge, Paul F. Hemler and Tiffany W. Salido, as joint inventors. In support of this Amendment, the following ★apers are submitted herewith: (1) Oath by David J. Vining, ordon W. Hunt, David K. Ahn, David R. Stelts, Yaorong Ge, Paul F. Hemler and Tiffany W. Salido as joint inventors, (2) Statement by Paul F. Hemler and Tiffany W. Salido, the inventors to be added, that the error in inventorship arose without any deceptive intention on his and her part, (3) Consent by the Assignee, and (4) the required governmental fee.

Respectfully submitted,

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